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LOK SABHA

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EXPENDITURE ON PRESERVATION OF MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)(b)(c) the details of the amount being spent for the conservation of various historical monuments in the country, State-wise particularly in Tamil Nadu;whether any special plan has been formulated for the preservation of other monuments in the State; andif so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a)(b) &(c) Funds for conservation of centrally protected monuments are not distributed State-wise. They are allotted yearly to 24 Circles and 2 Branches [Science and Horticulture] of the Archaeological Survey of India. The allotment of funds during the current financial year 2008-09 is at Annexure.Yearly conservation programmes are formulated by the Circles and Branches for structural conservation, chemical preservation, horticulture operations and day to day maintenance as per the priorities and available resources. The conservation programmes for the current financial year 2008-09 are under preparation.